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SUBJ: DEFENSE MINISTER SANCAR'S COMMENTS ON POSSIBLE
MILITARY ASSISTANCE CUT-OFF

1. ACCORDING TO LOCAL PRESS, MINISTER OF DEFENSE ILHAMI SANCAR, DURING JANUARY 20 DISCUSSION OF DEFENSE BUDGET BEFORE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BUDGET COMMITTEE, STATED THAT DISCONTINUATION OF U.S. MILITARY ASSISTANCE ON FEBRUARY 5 MIGHT CREATE PUBLIC PRESSURE WHICH WOULD FORCE CHANGES IN THE STATUS OF U.S. MILITARY PERSONNEL AND BASES IN TURKEY. //

2. SANCAR IS QUOTED AS SAYING THAT GOT DEMARCHES TO FRG AND GOODWILL DEMONSTRATED BY GERMANS GIVE HOPE OF RESUMPTION OF FRG MILITARY ASSISTANCE. SANCAR ALSO PUT IN A PLUG FOR NATIONAL DEFENSE INDUSTRIES, EMPHASIZING, HOWEVER, THE NEED FIRST TO ESTABLISH SUBSIDIARY INDUSTRIES AND TO IMPROVE TECHNOLOGICAL STANDARDS.
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